I commend the hard work and accomplishments of this award-winning class of students from Lincoln High School: Alyssa Anne Aaby, Rebecca Mae Allen, Milo Twohy Dochow, Ian James Dunlap, Joshua Josef Hansen, Andrea Marina Hart Thomas Hugh Hendrickson, Misha Andrew David Isaak, Laura Elizabeth Kanter, Aaron Matthew Lande, Andrew Benjamin Lauck, Dugan Alan Lawrence, Marcus Page Lindbloom. Brenna Rose McMahon, Maren Christine Olson, Galway Peter O'Mahoney, Nicholas Albert Peters, Emma Rachel Pollack-Pelzvner, Jennifer Lewis Rosenbaum, Jay Boss Rubin, Karen Deborah Rutzick, Margaret Suzanne Schouten, Kennon Harris Scott, Andrew Paterson Sheets, Maghan Marie Simmons, Kristin Kiele Sunamoto, and Evan Miles Wiener. These outstanding young people represent the vast potential of the youth in our country, and the promise and opportunity for our nation's future.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT R. HOLMES

• Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Robert R. Holmes who is retiring as the Chief of Police of Rutland, Vermont. Chief Holmes has had a long and distinguished career in law enforcement, and has served his community with dedication and honor.

Chief Holmes began his career, which has spanned four decades, as a rookie patrol officer in Phoenix, Arizona in 1958. He later moved to Littleton, Colorado and within three years had attained the rank of Lieutenant.

Chief Holmes served his country for 3 years in Vietnam as an international police adviser under the Agency for International Development. He returned to police work in Colorado in 1972, and became Chief of the Englewood Police Department in 1975, where he served in that capacity until his initial retirement in 1989.

The same year he decided to accept the position of Rutland City's Chief of Police, and he and his wife relocated to Vermont. Since 1989, Chief Holmes has earned the respect and trust of his fellow law officers, as well as civic leaders and Rutland area citizens. He has provided sound leadership and has worked hard to bring about positive change in the department and the entire community.

In January of 1997, the FBI honored Chief Holmes with the Agency's Community Leadership Award for his outstanding efforts to educate the public about the potential impact of the influx of gangs into Vermont. He is quick to share the credit for these successes with all of the officers involved, and is proud of their many accomplishments.

Chief Holmes has served his country and several communities with distinction throughout his career, and will no doubt continue to make contributions in any endeavor he undertakes. I congratulate him on this special occasion

and wish him and his family every future happiness.●

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MUTUAL OF ENUMCLAW INSURANCE COMPANY

• Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I speak today in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of the Mutual of Enumclaw Insurance Company. On June 12, 1998. Mutual of Enumclaw will celebrate its 100th Anniversary and a century of successful service in the insurance industry. The company originated in 1898 as the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company at a time when the town of Enumclaw, Washington found its economic base primarily in the railroad, dairy, and lumber industries. The company was established to "insure farm and village buildings and personal property against loss by fire and lightening.

This goal remained the focus of the company until 1945, when it expanded to insure non-farm property. Five years later it expanded its area of service to include Oregon and Idaho. In 1963, the company began writing commercial property and casualty insurance and three years later officially changed its name to Mutual of Enumclaw Insurance Company. The company sustained admirable growth throughout the following decades, as reflected by the A+ rating it has consistently received from the A.M. Best Company, a publisher of insurance information and company ratings.

Mutual of Enumclaw employs approximately 500 people and helps to provide a sound economic base for the Enumclaw community. As Mutual of Enumclaw Insurance Company celebrates its first hundred years, it looks to the future and to the challenge of continuing to learn and grow in order to meet the evolving needs of its customers.

TRIBUTE TO BETTY HOOD

• Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, it is a great honor for me to recognize today a young Kansan who has been nationally recognized for her quick thinking and valor. Betty Hood, of Wichita, Kansas, has been awarded the Young American Medal for Bravery for 1996 from the U.S. Department of Justice, for her heroic efforts to save her younger brothers and sister from their burning apartment.

Then ten-year-old Betty awoke in the early morning of May 17, 1996, to discover that her bed had caught on fire from a lamp that had been left too close to the sheets and blankets. Realizing the danger she and her siblings, who were in the room with her, were in, Betty carried her brother, James and sister, Hallie, to safety. She returned to help her remaining brother Clifford, but was unable to assist him as the fire had spread to the area where he was sleeping.

Betty Hood's award for bravery is well deserved. She did not escape

unharmed, as both Betty and her mother were treated for burns, nor will she ever forget her six-year-old brother, Clifford, who perished in the fire.

Today, I join the Department of Justice in recognizing and paying tribute to this extraordinary young American. Betty Hood is a true hero, and I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting this young woman for her bravery and quick thinking that saved her brother and sister.

SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

• Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I rise before you today to commend the first place award winners of the American Set a Good Example Competition.

Each year this contest recognizes three schools who have set themselves apart as leaders in the fight against crime and violence in our nation's schools. In this, the 12th year of the contest sponsored by the Concerned Businessmen's Association of America, Arsenal Technical High School of Indianapolis, Indiana, has been recognized as one of these very special schools.

While we have seen the war against drugs and violence fought on every battlefield from the streets to our homes to the workplace, there is no more important battlefield than our children's schools. In an attempt to emphasize this message, the Concerned Businessman's Association of America (CCBA), began this unique contest in 1985 in order to encourage our nation's teenagers to become involved in the war on drugs and violence.

This year the CBAA deemed the efforts of the students at Arsenal Technical High School, in conjunction with the guidance of teacher Mary Allen, principal Gerald McLeish, and the funding of Dr. Chris Kasle, worthy of this prestigious award.

For their project, Arsenal Technical students selected the precept of "Do Not Murder" taken from the "Way to Happiness" by L. Ron Hubbard. First, the students discussed murders which have affected them, their families and communities. Next, students put themselves in the position of Mayor and formulated ways in which they would solve the problem of violence. Each student wrote essays about their plans.

Arsenal continued this project by planning a "Set A Good Example Week." When a teacher saw a student set a good example or perform an act of kindness, the student received a coupon redeemable for a small pack of candy at lunch.

Students received the pack of candy from a booth promoting a talent show dubbed "Stop the Hate in 98," an event promoting non-violence.

The student-planned talent show included an art and rap contest and generated 100% student involvement.

I extend my congratulations to the students and faculty at Arsenal Technical High School for this outstanding achievement and the excellent example they have set for our nation's youth. I

urge each student to build upon the successes of this program and continue to set a good example every day.●

IN HONOR OF BOB DOLE

• Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, It was two years ago, in this chamber, that we recognized Senator Bob Dole for his tremendous contribution to the nation. I and many others stood and paid tribute to this great American for his outstanding career of Public Service, a career that spanned over fifty years. I rise today, to once again pay tribute to this great American.

As I said two years ago, Senator Bob Dole's destiny was and is leadership. From the battlefields of World War II to the floor of the United States Senate, Bob Dole was worked tirelessly for a strong national defense. That hard work was recognized recently in a ceremony held at Fort Meyer, Virginia. The Secretary of Defense, joined by the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, presented Senator Dole with the Department of Defense's highest civilian honor, the Medal for Distinguished Public Service.

Senator Bob Dole, a man whom I am humbled to call my friend, is most deserving of the Medal for Distinguished Public Service and I wish to join our former colleague Secretary Cohen, in honoring Senator Dole. Mr. President, I send to the desk, copies of the fine remarks delivered by Secretary Cohen and Senator Dole at the April 29th award ceremony and ask that they be printed in today's RECORD of the body he loved—The United States Senate.

The remarks follow:

REMARKS OF SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WILLIAM S. COHEN—PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD TO BOB DOLE

Welcome all, and thank you for joining Janet and me and the entire Department of Defense in paying tribute to a dear friend and a true American hero—Bob Dole.

Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., who served his country both as a soldier and a public servant, once spoke to his fellow veterans in words that reflect the soldier and public servant we honor today. Holmes said: "As I look into your eyes, I feel that a great trial in your youth made you different. It made you a citizen of the world and not of a little town. Best of all, it made you believe in something else besides doing the best for yourself. You learned a lesson early which has given a different feeling to life, which put a kind of fire into your heart."

Today we express our gratitude to Bob Dole, a man from the little town of Russell, Kansas for whom the lessons of life came early. With the Dustbowl came the lesson of hard work. With the Depression came the lesson of hardship. With World War II came the lesson of service and sacrifice in a way most of us will never know.

Throughout his distinguished career, we have called Bob Dole by many titles—Congressman Dole, Senator Dole, Chairman Dole and Candidate Dole. Our ceremony today honors all those roles, but also honors a time when he was known as Second Lieutenant Robert Dole, who led the Second Battalion of the 85th Infantry Mountain Regiment of the U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Division.

As the war in Europe was winding down, a spring offensive was scheduled for April 12,

1945 to bring about the surrender of German forces in Italy. On the same day, as it happens, President Roosevelt died. But it was not the President's death but a heavy fog that delayed the offensive until April 14 at oh-six hundred. After the intensive assault against fortified German positions by heavy bombers, fighter-bombers and artillery, the 10th Mountain Division began to move across a ravine to a clearing to take for the Allies what was known as Hill 913.

But even after the shelling and bombing, there was still significant German resistance. The snipers were dug in. The 10th Mountain Division would take more casualties on April 14, 1945 than all the other Allied forces in Italy. Second Lieutenant Robert Dole was hit and gravely wounded by a mortar blast and waited in a shell hole for nine hours until the medics could reach him.

The war in Europe ended just a few weeks later on May 8, 1945. Second Lieutenant Dole came back to a Topeka hospital and eventually back to Russell. When he went to Europe, he weighed a muscular 200 pounds and was a football, basketball and track star at the State University of Kansas. When he came home after the war, he was on a stretcher and weighed 120 pounds. At one point, his temperature reached 108.7 degrees.

Faced with this terrible situation and the unanimously gloomy opinion of his doctors, many people, even most people, would have become disheartened and simply given up. But Bob Dole persevered, through more than three years of arduous recovery and through a lifetime of difficulty and hardship which he handled with his customary humor and grace. No one ever worked harder, complained less or laughed more than Bob Dole. And no one ever loved his country more or had a better appreciation of the honor and sacrifice of military service.

From the terrible trauma of his injuries, Bob Dole fought back and won elective office as country attorney, US Congressman, US Senator and Senate Majority Leader. He has been his party's nominee for Vice President and President. He even makes a pretty good VISA commercial! (Although his credit is not very good in that financial mega center—Russell.)

Also, no hero does it alone, and Janet and I also want to pay tribute to a lady of grace, charm and accomplishment who is Bob's partner, friend and wife—Elizabeth Dole. Elizabeth, thank your for your service to America.

I had the privilege of serving with Bob Dole in the legislative trenches of the U.S. Senate for 18 years. And I can tell you he remained a warrior eager to take on a new battle every day. He is and always will be an American Hero of the highest order.

Thanks to people like Bob Dole who have worked for a strong national defense, we are privileged to live in largely peaceful times where the sons of Bangor, Maine, or Russell, Kansas are not being sent to fight and die on distant battlefields. The privilege of these peaceful times is made possible by the sacrifice of many thousands who have given their bodies and their lives in the cause of liberty.

We do not pause often enough to give tribute to the silent white gravestones which dot the hills of Arlington National Cemetery or give thanks to the heroes who are still among us. Today, as Secretary of Defense, it makes me extremely proud for our Department and our nation to pay tribute to a modest man of immodest talent—a person who has defined heroism and courage for millions of Americans.

The great American writer John Steinbeck once wrote that the best measure of one's time on this earth is the contribution each of us makes to the world around us. "There

is," Steinbeck wrote, "no other story. A man, after he has brushed off the dust and chips of his life, will have left only the hard clean questions: Was it good or was it evil? Have I done well—or ill?"

For Second Lieutenant Bob Dole—Army Serial #17179287—Steinbeck's question is not a hard one. He has done well—he has served his nation with the highest distinction—he has remained a man with fire in his heart. And it is my highest privilege to award our highest civilian honor, the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service, to Bob Dole.

SENATOR BOB DOLE—REMARKS PREPARED FOR DELIVERY

If given the choice between receiving an award from a Secretary of Defense or appointing a Secretary of Defense, I would have picked the latter.

Seriously, I am humbled and honored by this award, and it means all the more to me because it was presented by a man I have long been privileged to call my friend. Thank you, Mr. Secretary, for this ceremony, for this award, and for reminding us that when it comes to our national defense, we should not define ourselves as Democrats or Republican, but rather, simply as Americans.

I am also pleased to be joined today by the president of the American Red Cross. Throughout this century, wherever you have found American service men and women—whether on the battlefield, on the base, or in the hospital—you knew that close by you would also find the American Red Cross.

And on behalf of all the past and present members of the Armed Forces here, I thank Elizabeth for the difference the Red Cross has made in our lives. And while I may not be proof of the old saying that here in America, any boy can grow up to be President, I take heart in the fact that I am proof that any boy can grow up and be married to the president * * * of the American Red Cross, that is.

During my life I have been privileged to be called by many titles—including Congressman, Senator, and majority leader. But the two titles of which I am most proud have nothing to do with elective office. The first is "Kansan," and the second is "veteran."

I have often wondered why the Army assigned a kid from the plains of Kansas to serve in the 10th mountain division, but I've never wondered about the courage and heroism of those who served with me, and those who have defended our country in the half century that has followed. And I can't help but recall today the words of General George Marshall, who was asked soon after America's entrance into World War II, whether we had a secret weapon that would ensure victory.

Marshall said, "Yes, our secret weapon is the best darned kids in the world."

Marshall was right, America ensured the survival of freedom in World War II precisely because we had the best darned kids in the world—kids who were willing to fight and die for their country and for the cause of freedom.

What was true in World War II, has continued to be true in the decades that have followed, as more of those best darned kids have fought and died in places with names like Inchon, Porkchop Hill, the Persian Gulf, and countless other locations around the globe.

I traveled to Bosnia just this past weekend, and can report to you, Mr. Secretary, that our armed services can still boast the best darned kids in the world.

Throughout my years in the battlefields of Capitol Hill, I always tried to remember and stand up for those who were serving or who had served. And I always tried to remember